REMARKS

New claims 46-52 have been added to the application. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1-4, 7-10, 14-17, 19-22, 26-29, 34-37, and 40-43 of the present application have been amended for clarification purposes in order to more accurately define the scope of the present claimed invention.

During a telephonic interview between the undersigned attorney and the examiner on 2/16/2006, the various rejections of the claims were discussed with respect to the present invention and the cited prior art references. At the conclusion of the telephonic interview, it was agreed that Maughan appears not to teach the combination of features as defined in any of the amended independent claims of the present application. Accordingly, it is believed that claims 1-52 are not anticipated by Maughan. It further submitted, for at least those reasons discussed during the telephonic interview, that claims 1-52 are not obvious in view of Maughan and/or any of the other cited prior art references.

Because claims 1-52 are believed to be allowable in their present form, many of the examiner's rejections in the Office Action have not been addressed in this response. However, applicant respectfully reserves the right to respond to one or more of the examiner's rejections in subsequent amendments should conditions arise warranting such responses. Further, the additional limitations recited in the dependent claims are not further discussed as the above-discussed limitations are clearly sufficient to distinguish the claimed invention from the cited prior art of record.

Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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